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SUBJECT: PRC LEGAL ENTRANTS INTO HONG KONG

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COMMISSIONER OF IMMIGRATION, RON BRIDGE, TOLD A CONGEN
OFFICER THAT THE HKG'S APRIL 19 APPROACH (REFTEL) TO THE
PRC SEEKING A REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OF LEGAL CHINESE
ENTRANTS INTO THE COLONY HAD NOT PRODUCED ANY RESULTS TO
DATE. IN FACT, SINCE THE APPROACH WAS MADE THERE HAS BEEN
AN APPRECIABLE INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF SUCH ENTRANTS.
LAST WEEK, FOR EXAMPLE, THERE WERE SEVERAL DAYS WHEN THE
FIGURE WAS OVER 200. BRIDGE HOPED THAT THE PRC'S UNRES-
PONSIVENESS WAS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SLOW BUREAUCRATIC HABITS
AND THAT DESIRED CHINESE ACTION WOULD BE FORTHCOMING BEFORE
LONG. IF NOT, A FOLLOW-UP APPROACH MIGHT BE NECESSARY.
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NOTE BY OC/T: EXDIS CAPTION ADDED PER S/S-O, MCCALLIE,6/8/78.

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